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Date: October 19, 2015

To: Kimberly N. Tisa, PCB Coordinator  
United States Environmental Protection Agency  
5 Post Office Square, Suite 1 00  
Mail Code: OSRR07-2  
Boston, Massachusetts 02109-3912

Re: Request for Status Renewal of PCB Cleanup and Disposal Approval under 40 CFR §§  
761.61(a) and (c) for the Former Fonda Group Facility, 15-21 Lower Newton Street, St. Albans,  
Vermont.

Dear Kim,

The City of St. Albans requests a renewal of the PCB Cleanup and Disposal Approval under 40 CFR §§761.61(a) and (c) for the Former Fonda Group Facility, 15-21 Lower Newton Street, St. Albans, Vermont, as granted in your letter of April 26, 2011.

Since the first phase of clean-up at the site was completed in 2011, the City of St. Albans has been actively seeking solutions for the final redevelopment of the site. The City successfully applied for BERA status for the site, and has been part of a joint City/State/EPA team looking at estimating the next round of clean-up costs for redevelopment.

The City was also granted a tax increment financing (TIF) district by the State of Vermont in 2012, which could provide a source of funds for the clean-up and redevelopment of the site. However the redevelopment value for the site must be substantial in order to provide the property tax increment necessary to fund the next round of brownfield clean-up with TIF.

The City has been consulting with several parties on the subject of marketing and redeveloping the site. Possibilities include industrial development, mixed commercial/office, or building a new complex for municipal services. While these discussions continue, we respectfully ask that the PCB approvals for the current site be renewed.

In the meantime, the City has been performing periodic off-site monitoring and site inspections, as required by the US EPA and VT DEC. The site conditions remain the same as they were upon approval, and off-site contamination has been stable-to-decreasing. All associated site records are available for transmittal and review upon your request.

I welcome any questions or comments concerning this request for renewal.

Sincerely,

Dominic Cloud  
City Manager